

LOYOLA - SIR GEORGE WILLIAMS JOINT COMMITTEE

Guidelines for further "negotiations leading to the establishment of a new university" have been announced by C.A. Duff, Chairman of the Board of Governors of Sir George Williams University and Rev. Stanley Drummond, S.J., Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Loyola. The announcement was made today at a joint conference held at Sir George Williams University.

The document calls for a new University under a single charter with one governing board, one senate, and one chief executive officer. It states that the two institutions will negotiate as equals.

The guidelines add that the new University will have two campuses with an institutional framework that will preserve those educational traditions of both institutions which prove academically valuable and financially feasible. Administrative structures will be integrated wherever possible, but there will be appropriate decentralization where this is required to ensure effective service to students, faculty and other members of the university community.

There will be no substantial changes in the organization of the two institutions affecting the opening of classes next fall.

Every effort will be made to bring the new university into being as rapidly as possible, bearing in mind the fact that it is expected to be some years before its definitive character emerges.

Negotiators will be particularly concerned with the purposes, strengths and weaknesses of all Faculties in each institution. These will be studied with a view to integration, co-ordination or co-operation, as seems

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desirable. They will be concerned to assure that each Faculty, whether operating on one or both campuses, is a viable and forward-looking entity, and that the structural arrangements they propose will most effectively serve the students of the new institution.

The guidelines have been approved by the Board of the two institutions following submission by a Joint Committee consisting of eight representatives from each institution. They were developed by a sub-committee of the principal officers, Rev. P.G. Malone, President of Loyola, and Dr. J.W. O'Brien, Principal of SGWU, and the respective academic heads, Dr. J.C. Burke and Prof. J. Bordan.

A further report by this sub-committee to the Joint Committee - the steering group in current discussions - is expected to be submitted shortly. This committee is continuing its work aimed at recommending terms of reference and membership of the sub-committees which will deal with academic and administrative structures. Sub-committees reviewing the legal and financial aspects have been in operation for some weeks.

Negotiators will have as their chief concern the long-term academic quality and administrative efficiency of the new University, ensuring its effective service of the Montreal community. In developing their recommendations, they will also pay due attention to the need to minimize the dislocation of students, faculty and non-teaching personnel during the initial period of union.

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GUIDELINES FOR LOYOLA COLLEGE AND SIR GEORGE WILLIAMS UNIVERSITY  
REPRESENTATIVES DURING NEGOTIATIONS LEADING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT  
OF A NEW UNIVERSITY.

1. Loyola and Sir George Williams University enter into these negotiations as two equal institutions.
2. The purpose of the negotiations is to establish a new University under a single charter.
3. The new University will have one governing board, one senate, and one chief executive officer.
4. The administrative structure will be integrated, with appropriate decentralization. Such administrative offices will be maintained on each campus as are required to ensure effective service to the students, faculty and other members of the university community who study, teach and work there.
5. In developing the academic and administrative structures that will assure the most fruitful use of the existing human and material resources of the two institutions, negotiators will pay due attention to the traditions of each institution.
6. The new University will have two campuses, which will serve as an institutional framework for preserving those educational traditions of the two institutions which prove academically valuable and financially feasible according to appropriate criteria. It is nevertheless recognized that the new University, once established, must have the freedom to evolve its own character and structures. Further, it will take some years for a definitive character to emerge.
7. Negotiators will study the present purposes, strengths and weaknesses of the Faculties in each institution with a view to developing schedules either for integration or for various forms of coordination and cooperation, as seem desirable. They will be concerned to assure that each Faculty, whether operating on one or both campuses, is a viable and forward-looking entity, and that the structural arrangements they propose will most effectively serve the students of the new institution. They will thus enable to flourish those elements of the present diversity that are both academically valuable and financially feasible.
8. Negotiators will have as their chief concern the long-term academic quality and administrative efficiency of the new University. In developing their recommendations, they will pay due attention to the need to minimize the dislocation of students, faculty and non-teaching personnel during the initial period of union.

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9. The Norris Report from Loyola and SGWU paper dated September, 1971 will be used in defining the areas in which recommendations are to be made.
10. Questions of interpretation regarding this present document, the Norris Report and the SGWU paper shall be decided by a committee made up of the Principal and Vice-Principal, Academic of SGWU and the President and Vice-President, Academic of Loyola. In interpretation this present document shall take precedence.
11. In the case of conflict among the three documents named above, the committee referred to in paragraph 10 shall make recommendations to the Joint Committee of the two Boards as to the resolution of the problem.

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